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"AN ACT CONCERNING THE RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE SENTENCING COMMISSION REGARDING THE CLASSIFICATION OF UNCLASSIFIED MISDEMEANORS."

- 1 After the last section, add the following and renumber sections and
- 2 internal references accordingly:
- 3 "Sec. 501. Subdivision (5) of subsection (a) of section 31-222 of the
- 4 general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu
- 5 thereof (*Effective from passage*):
- 6 (5) No provision of this chapter, except section 31-254, shall apply to
- 7 any of the following types of service or employment, except when
- 8 voluntarily assumed, as provided in section 31-223:
- 9 (A) Service performed by an individual in the employ of his son,
- daughter or spouse, and service performed by a child under the age of
- 11 eighteen in the employ of his father or mother;

(B) Service performed in the employ of the United States government, any other state, any town or city of any other state, or any political subdivision or instrumentality of any of them; except that, to the extent that the Congress of the United States permits states to require any instrumentalities of the United States to make contributions to an unemployment fund under a state unemployment compensation law, all of the provisions of this chapter shall be applicable to such instrumentalities and to services performed for such instrumentalities; provided, if this state is not certified for any year by the Secretary of Labor under Section 3304 of the Federal Internal Revenue Code, the contributions required of such instrumentalities with respect to such year shall be refunded by the administrator from the fund in the same manner and within the same period as is provided in sections 31-268, 31-269, 31-270 and 31-271 with respect to contributions erroneously collected;

- (C) Service with respect to which unemployment compensation is payable under an unemployment compensation plan established by an Act of Congress, provided the administrator is authorized to enter into agreements with the proper agencies under such Act of Congress, to provide reciprocal treatment to individuals who have, after acquiring potential rights to benefits under this chapter, acquired rights to unemployment compensation under such Act of Congress, or who have, after acquiring potential rights to unemployment compensation under such Act of Congress, acquired rights to benefits under this chapter, and provided further, in computing benefits the administrator shall disregard all wages paid by employers who fall within the definition of "employer" in Section 1(a) of the Federal Railroad Unemployment Insurance Act;
- 40 (D) Service performed in this state or elsewhere with respect to 41 which contributions are required and paid under an unemployment 42 compensation law of any other state;
- 43 (E) Service not in the course of the employer's trade or business 44 performed in any calendar quarter by an employee, unless the cash

remuneration paid for such service is fifty dollars or more and such service is performed by an individual who is regularly employed by such employer to perform such service. For purposes of this subparagraph, an individual shall be deemed to be regularly employed by an employer during a calendar quarter only if (i) on each of some twenty-four days during such quarter such individual performs for such employer for some portion of the day service not in the course of the employer's trade or business; or (ii) such individual was so employed by such employer in the performance of such service during the preceding calendar quarter;

- (F) Service performed in any calendar quarter in the employ of any organization exempt from income tax under Section 501(a) of the Internal Revenue Code or under Section 521 of said code excluding any organization described in Section 401(a) of said code, if the remuneration for such service is less than fifty dollars;
- (G) Service performed in the employ of a school, college, or university if such service is performed (i) by a student who is enrolled and is regularly attending classes at such school, college or university, or (ii) by the spouse of such a student, if such spouse is advised at the time such spouse commences to perform such service, that (I) the employment of such spouse to perform such service is provided under a program to provide financial assistance to such student by such school, college or university, and (II) such employment will not be covered by any program of unemployment insurance;
- (H) Service performed as a student nurse in the employ of a hospital or a nurses' training school chartered pursuant to state law by an individual who is enrolled and is regularly attending classes in such nurses' training school, and service performed as an intern in the employ of a hospital by an individual who has completed a four years' course in a medical school chartered or approved pursuant to state law;
- 76 (I) Service performed by an individual under the age of eighteen in

the delivery or distribution of newspapers or shopping news, not including delivery or distribution to any point for subsequent delivery or distribution;

- (J) Service performed by an individual who is enrolled, at a nonprofit or public educational institution which normally maintains a regular faculty and curriculum and normally has a regularly organized body of students in attendance at the place where its educational activities are carried on, as a student in a full-time program, taken for credit at such institution, which combines academic instruction with work experience, if such service is an integral part of such program, and such institution has so certified to the employer, except that this subparagraph shall not apply to service performed in a program established for or on behalf of an employer or group of employers;
- (K) Service performed by an individual as an insurance agent, other than an industrial life insurance agent, and service performed by an individual as a real estate salesperson, if all such service is performed for remuneration solely by way of commission;
 - (L) Service performed in the employ of a hospital, if such service is performed by a patient of the hospital, as defined in subsection (h) of this section;
 - (M) Service performed by an individual in the employ of any town, city or other political subdivision, provided such service is performed in lieu of payment of any delinquent tax payable to such town, city or other political subdivision;
- (N) Service performed by an individual as an outside sales representative of a for-profit travel agency if substantially all of such service is performed outside of any travel agency premises, and all such service is performed for remuneration solely by way of commission. For purposes of this subparagraph, an "outside sales representative" means an individual whose services to a for-profit travel agency are performed under such travel agency's Airlines Reporting Corporation accreditation, or the International Airlines

- 109 Travel Agent Network endorsement; [and]
- (O) Service performed by the operator of an escort motor vehicle,
- 111 for an oversize vehicle, overweight vehicle or a vehicle with a load
- 112 traveling upon any Connecticut highway pursuant to a permit
- 113 required by section 14-270, and the regulations adopted pursuant to
- said section, provided the following conditions are met:
- 115 (i) The service is provided by an individual operator who is
- 116 engaged in the business or trade of providing such escort motor
- 117 vehicle;
- (ii) The operator is, and has been, free from control and direction by
- any other business or other person in connection with the actual
- 120 performance of such services;
- 121 (iii) The operator owns his or her own vehicle, and statutorily
- 122 required equipment, and exclusively employs this equipment in
- 123 providing such services; and
- 124 (iv) The operator is treated as an independent contractor for all
- 125 purposes, including, but not limited to, federal and state taxation,
- workers' compensation, choice of hours worked and choice to accept
- referrals from multiple entities without consequence; and
- 128 (P) Service performed in intrastate or interstate commerce by the
- owner operator of a motor vehicle or motor vehicles who transports
- property by motor vehicle for compensation, provided the following
- 131 conditions are met:
- (i) The operator owns the motor vehicle or holds it under a bona
- fide lease arrangement, provided any lease arrangement, loan or loan
- guarantee is not with the contracting entity, or any related entity, with
- the exception of a lease arrangement with the contracting entity for the
- use of a substitute motor vehicle to perform services in the event that
- the operator's primary motor vehicle is being serviced or repaired;
- 138 (ii) Nothing in this subparagraph shall affect chapter 229;

139 (iii) The operator is responsible for substantially all of the principal 140 operating costs of the motor vehicle, including, but not limited to, maintenance, fuel, repairs, supplies, vehicle insurance and personal 141 142 expenses, provided the operator may be paid by the contracting entity 143 for operating costs directly related to services rendered by the 144 operator, including, but not limited to, tolls, permits, communication 145 charges and loading fees; 146 (iv) The operator is responsible for supplying the necessary services to operate the motor vehicle; 147 148 (v) The operator's compensation is based on factors related to the 149 work performed, including, but not limited to, mileage-based rates, a 150 percentage of any schedule of rates, or by the hours or time expended 151 in relation to actual performance of the contracted-for services; 152 (vi) The operator substantially controls the means and manner of performing services, which shall be evidenced by doing so in 153 154 conformance with all state and federal requirements and specifications 155 of the shipper; and 156 (vii) The operating agreement includes provisions that meet the conditions in clauses (i) to (v), inclusive, of this subparagraph; that the 157 158 operator acknowledges the operator's status as an independent contractor and not an employee of the contracting entity; and that such 159 160 operating agreement shall be presented to the Labor Department upon 161 request."

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:		
Sec. 501	from passage	31-222(a)(5)